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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents,
 P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a response to the restriction requirement in the Office Action dated 1/18/2003. The applicant choose the products as the elected single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is final held to be allowable.

Applicant elect without traverse to prosecute the invention of original claims 1-16, drawn to the products, for examination since those elected claims read on the above elected embodiment.

Respectfully submitted,

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